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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE DIVERSION OF U.S. STRATEGIC GOODS

1. THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT EMBARGOED U.S -
MADE STRATEGIC ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT IS BEING DIVERTED
BY AN IRANIAN COMPANY TO A SOVIET NUCLEAR RESEARCH
INSTITUTE. THE IRANIAN FIRM IS ONLY IDENTIFIED BY THE
ACRONYM G.O.C.N., WITH NO ADDRESS OR FURTHER IDENTIFYING
INFORMATION AVAILABLE. AN IRANIAN ORGANIZATION WITH THIS
NAME IS NOT KNOWN TO WASHINGTON AGENCIES.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO
IDENTIFY THE FIRM, SUPPLYING ADDRESS, TYPE OF BUSINESS,
IMPORTANCE IN THE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT SECTOR, AND
WHETHER IT IS A PRIVATE FIRM OR GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATED.
OUR SOURCE INDICATES THAT G.O.C.N. MAY BE OPERATING
IN COLLUSION WITH GERMAN OR JAPANESE ELECTRONICS FIRMS;

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THEREFORE AN INFORMAL QUERY TO THE EMBASSIES OF THOSE

COUNTRIES MAY REVEAL THE IDENTITY, SHOULD NORMAL
EMBASSY SOURCES PROVE FRUITLESS. THE REASON FOR THE
INQUIRY SHOULD NOT BE DISCLOSED.

3. AN EARLY REPLY IS REQUESTED. ROBINSON

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